

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention aims at preventing a space including the guide surface of a reticle stage from interfering with an exposure light beam. In order to 5 achieve this object, in a movable stage apparatus having a reticle stage on which a reflecting reticle is to be mounted, when the space is divided by a plane including the reflection surface of the reticle, the guide surface for moving the reticle is arranged in a 10 space opposite to a space where an exposure light beam reflected by the reticle passes.